



VolunteerBloomington!

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "There are two ways of spreading light – to be the candle or the mirror that reflects it." ~ Edith Wharton

June 26, 2013

Messy Mania- July 16

The Bloomington Parks and Recreation Department is hosting Messy Mania on Tues., July 16. Kids can get crazy as they experiment with all kinds of messy mediums, with no worries about creating chaos in *your* house! Volunteers will assist with preparation, help children make ooey gooey projects, then assist with cleanup. Minimum age is 14 or 12 if with an adult. Follow this link to sign up: bit.ly/MessyMania or contact Kim Ecenbarger at (812) 349-3739 or ecenbark@bloomington.in.gov. (www.bloomington.in.gov/parks)

Best Buddies International Leadership Conference- July 19-22

The Best Buddies Leadership Conference is in need of over 100 volunteers for the weekend of July 19-22! This conference brings together leaders –those with and without intellectual and developmental disabilities - from Best Buddies programs worldwide, providing personalized trainings that develop skills needed to organize a Best Buddies chapter and become advocates in the community. To register, go to www.bestbuddiesonline.org/lc/staffaccess.aspx. You do not need to enter a username and password. In the registration section, select 'conference volunteer'. Minimum age is 18; 12 if with an adult. Please contact Kristen Johnson at (317) 436-8440 ext. 44 or kristenjohnson@bestbuddies.org. (www.bestbuddiesindiana.org)

Geno's Cafeteria Servers

Backstreet Missions, a Christian mission, is seeking volunteers to serve the evening meal at Geno's Cafeteria "soup kitchen". Help is welcomed on Tues., Wed. or Fri. from 3:30-4:30 p.m. Minimum age is 18; 8 if with an adult. Please contact Linda Kelley at (812) 333-6360 or linda@backstreet.org. (www.backstreet.org)

Research and Record Keeping - Monroe County Women's Commission

The Monroe County Women's Commission has an opening for a volunteer to assist commissioners with research and record keeping. This year-long commitment would be approximately five hours a month and includes taking minutes at monthly meetings, assisting with organizing data regarding women's health, and assisting with creating presentation materials. Candidates should have an interest in women's issues, be attentive to detail and possess strong communication skills. Candidates should also have strong technology and/or research skills and be a team player with the ability to work independently. Minimum age is 18. For more information, contact Shirley Fitzgibbons at 349-2550 or fitzgibb@indiana.edu. (www.co.monroe.in.us)

Love to feed hungry volunteers?

Do your friends and family tell you all the time what a great cook or baker you are? Put those skills to use for a great cause - feeding Habitat for Humanity's hungry volunteers! You can provide morning snacks, side items or lunches on Wed., Thurs. or Sat. mornings to dedicated volunteer teams. Please contact Sarah Rosenbaum at (812) 331-4069 ext. 2 or volunteers@monroecountyhabitat.org. (www.monroecountyhabitat.org)

Community Wish List Spotlight

Visually Impaired Preschool Services

Offers appropriate services to infants, toddlers and preschoolers who are visually impaired. They work to maximize each child's developmental potential through direct service and advocacy. To grant a wish, contact Rebecca Davis at vipsbloomington@vips.org or (888) 824-2197. (www.vips.org)

Wishes: gift cards for office supplies and gas, paper, dry erase markers, arts and crafts supplies, fabric, cardstock, glue, feltboard, early literacy books and lightbox from American Printing House for the Blind (aph.org)

Use the [Community Wish List](#) to start a drive within your school, faith community or other group or take the list along shopping and add a few extra items to your cart. It WILL make a difference to those served by this organization.

The City of Bloomington Volunteer Network is your source for information about volunteering locally. For a complete listing, visit bloomington.in.gov/volunteer or call 349-3433. The inclusion of an organization in this list does not imply City endorsement or support of the organization's activities or policies.

